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State revokes, suspends licenses, certifications, registrations of health care providers

OLYMPIA — The Washington State Department of Health has revoked or suspended the licenses, certifications, or registrations of health care providers in our state. The department has also immediately suspended the credentials of people who have been prohibited from practicing in other states.

The department's Health Systems Quality Assurance Division works with boards, commissions and advisory committees to set licensing standards for more than 70 health care professions (e.g., medical doctors, nurses, counselors).

Information about health care providers is on the agency's website. Click on "[Look up a healthcare provider license](#)" in the "How Do I?" section of the [Department of Health home page](#) (www.doh.wa.gov). The site includes information about a health care provider's license status, the expiration and renewal date of their credential, disciplinary actions and copies of legal documents issued after July 1998. This information is also available by calling 360-236-4700. Consumers who think a health care provider acted unprofessionally are also encouraged to call and report their complaint.

Clark County

In July 2012 the Nursing Commission suspended the license of registered nurse **Beverly A. Cooke** (RN00130707) for two years after she tested positive for morphine and admitted to taking patient-returned morphine and oxycodone.

In August 2012 the Department of Health suspended the credential of registered nursing assistant **Rebecca Ann Faye Melcher** (NA60118406) for two years. Melcher tested positive for marijuana.

Island County

In August 2012 the Department of Health suspended the credential of chemical dependency professional trainee **Alan Hal Messier** (CO60254315). He did not comply with a previous order to enroll and follow the requirements of a substance abuse monitoring program. Messier withdrew from the program.

King County

In August 2012 the Nursing Commission suspended the credential of licensed practical nurse **Suzanne M. Clark** (LP00035592) after she withdrew from a required substance abuse monitoring program.

Kitsap County

In August 2012 the Department of Health suspended the credential of registered nursing assistant **Jordan Tyler Henzel** (NA60027093) for failing to enroll in a substance abuse monitoring program.

King County

In August 2012 the Board of Pharmacy suspended the credential of pharmacist **Patrick G. Oyco** (PH00021211). Oyco was responsible for managing a pharmacy that received an “unsatisfactory” followed by a “conditional” rating during inspections. It was deficient in its medication records keeping, temperature controls, and was missing a controlled substance from its inventory.

In August 2012 the Department of Health suspended the credential of x-ray technician **Randall Jay Kincheloe** (XT00003179) based on his failure to disclose disciplinary action taken on his licensed practical nurse credential.

In August 2012 the Department of Health suspended the credential of registered surgical technologist **Jlynn Reeves A.K.A. Chris Reeves** (ST00002295). Reeves called in controlled substance prescriptions for himself without authority to do so. He later failed to comply with the terms of a substance abuse monitoring program.

In August 2012 the Department of Health suspended the credential of emergency medical technician **Paul M. Hermosillo** (ES01172157) for five years. Hermosillo plead guilty to solicitation of methamphetamines.

Pierce County

In August 2012 the Department of Health suspended the credential of agency affiliated counselor **Lisa L. Waugh** (60153669) for six months after she revealed medical information about a client without permission of the client. She also developed and maintained personal relationships with clients.

In July 2012 the Nursing Commission suspended the license of registered and licensed practical nurse **Christian F. Taylor** (LP00037121)(RN00114631). He was convicted of identity theft and burglary.

In August 2012 the Board of Pharmacy suspended the credential of pharmacy assistant **Kori A. Tainter** (VA00045453), after she did not comply with an agreement to participate in a substance abuse monitoring program. Tainter's credential is expired but was eligible for renewal.

Spokane County

In August 2012 the Board of Optometry suspended the credential of optometrist **Kenneth Allen Ethier** (OD60175213) after the state of Idaho revoked his license for abruptly leaving his practice without delivering eye glasses and other devices to patients that had pre-paid for the items.

Snohomish County

In July 2012 the Nursing Commission suspended the credential of licensed practical nurse **Jennifer Karen Sargent** (LP00051139) for two years, after she violated terms of a substance abuse monitoring agreement when she tested positive for amphetamines.

In July 2012 the Department of Health suspended the credential of registered nursing assistant **Michael R. Downer** (NA000187173) for ten years after he transferred \$95,800 from a joint account he established with a patient to his personal account.

Thurston County

In August 2012 the Board of Pharmacy suspended the credential of pharmacist **John W. Pemberton** (PH00017890) for filling prescriptions transferred from an internet service without inquiring about the validity of the prescriptions, and without providing counseling regarding safe and effective use of the medications.

In July the Nursing Commission suspended the credential of registered nurse **Ann M. McCormack** (RN00152200) after her license was suspended by the state of Texas for failing to comply with terms set against her license.

In July 2012 the Department of Health agreed to accept the voluntary surrender of the credential of chemical dependency professional **Frank A. Feeley** (CP000000134). Feeley represented himself as having Ph.D.s in psychology, but the online universities where he paid to receive two Ph.D. degrees are not accredited, and the degrees are not genuine.

In July 2012 the Department of Health suspended the credential of agency affiliated counselor **Lauren Frances Robbins** (CG60173525) for taking over \$500 from patients' accounts. She admitted to having used the money to buy Suboxone, a controlled substance.

Whatcom County

In August 2012 the Department of Health suspended the credential of registered and certified nursing assistant **Amy Louise Olson** (NC60220993) (NA60221361) for failing to comply with

the terms of an agreement setting conditions against her credentials. She failed to comply with a required substance abuse monitoring program.

Yakima County

In July 2012 the Department of Health suspended the credential of agency affiliated counselor **Jesse Stephen Bladow** (CG60173536) after he did not comply with the terms of an agreed order. He failed to comply with the terms of a substance abuse monitoring program, tested positive for oxazepam and did not report his use of other controlled substances.

In August 2012 the Department of Health suspended the credential of massage therapist **Jacob Hill** (MA00023671) for five years. Hill had sex with a patient during a massage session, and later began dating the patient. On another occasion, he initiated sexual contact with another patient who was also a co-worker.

Out of State

Arizona

In August 2012 the Nursing Commission suspended the credential of registered nurse **Margaret A. McGonagle** (RN60075520) after her license was revoked in Arizona for testing positive for Fentanyl without having a prescription for the medication.

In August 2012 the Nursing Commission indefinitely suspended the credential of licensed practical nurse **Deborah Ann Lopez** (LP00056647) after her credential to practice was revoked by the state of Arizona for conduct equivalent to a violation of professional conduct statutes in Washington.

In July 2012 the Nursing Commission suspended the credential of registered nurse **Peggy Jo Lynch** (RN60235970) after she tested positive for marijuana and would not cooperate with the commission's requests for information.

Florida

In August 2012 the Department of Health suspended the credential of physician **Darrin L. Frye** (MD60041498) after the state of Florida suspended his license. Frye prescribed multiple doses of steroids, including a banned substance, without medical justification or proper evaluation of patients.

Idaho

In August 2012 the Nursing Commission indefinitely suspended the credential of registered nurse **Julianna F. Zulli** (RN00158090) after she did not respond to the commission's request for information. In May 2012 the state of Idaho revoked her credential for diverting medication for her own use and working as a nurse while under the influence of a controlled substance.

Maryland

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In July 2012 the Nursing Commission suspended the credential of licensed practical nurse **Victoria A. Thomas** (LP60123783) for two years because she cannot practice with reasonable skill and safety by reason of a physical or mental condition.

Texas

In July 2012 the Nursing Commission suspended the credential of registered nurse **Kathleen C. Bethards-Sanchez** (RN00164687) following her license suspensions in both Texas and Nevada. She failed to comply with terms set against her license.

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